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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th August, 1897. [8

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [9

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....£1,000,000
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HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, 11th August, 1897. [7

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" " " 3 " ... 2½ "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. [31

Insurances.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [28

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } $833,333.33
EQUAL TO
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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.
HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [26

NOTICE.

THE MAN-ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world, payable at any of its Agencies.
CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [30

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Quality A.....$15
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Intimations.

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FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
JAPAN, &c.	*Mantua*	R. S. Haddock, R.N.R.	Daylight, 17th Oct	Freight or Passage. *via* SHANGHAI
SHANGHAI	*Kaisar-i-Hind*	S. Barcham	Noon, 17th Oct	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	*Sumatra*	J. Cowrie, R.N.R.	Noon, 19th Oct	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	*Ravenna*	C. T. Denny, R.N.R.	About 21st Oct	See Special Advertisement.
JAPAN	*Ancona*	W. D. Mudie	Noon, 22nd Oct	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea).
LONDON	*Socotra*	J. Paine, R.N.R.	About 28th Oct	Freight only.

For Further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [5

W. POWELL & CO.

NEW TAPESTRIES,
NEW CRETONNES,
NEW TABLE CLOTHS,
NEW CURTAINS.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [19

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Per cask of 4 doz. Quarts.....$15
" 8 " Pints$17
SPECIAL QUOTATIONS FOR QUANTITIES.

H. PRICE & CO.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 30th September, 1897. [16

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HONG PRIME BEEF & MUTTON CORNED BEEF & TONGUES VEAL SAUSAGES
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CENTRAL MARKET
BUTCHERY
Hongkong, 1st May, 1897. [116

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HOTEL METROPOLE, 1, TSUKIJI, TOKYO.

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Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.
THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.
K. V. SIQEN, Manager, YOKOHAMA. | L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO. [48

Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY. LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 7th August 1897. [26

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LETTS' DIARIES 1898.

Jubilee Book of Cricket, by Prince Ranjitsinhji	$ 4.00	Dynamo and Electric Motors	70
The Captive of Pekin, by Hannen	4.00	Life of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, by Burnett	2.50
Chin-Chin-Wa, by Hannen	2.50	Making of England by Green, 2 vols.	6.50
Dictionary of Words—Facts and Phrases, by Edwards	2.50	Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush, by Maclarren	3.50
Romantic India, by Chevrillon	4.50	The Days of Auld Lang Syne, by Maclarren	3.50
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Hongkong, 11th October, 1897. [18

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JOHN CLARK, PH.D., F.C.S., F.I.C.,
Public Analyst for the City of Glasgow, The Counties of Lanark, Renfrew and Southerland, and various Boroughs."
TELEPHONE—75.
15, *Queen's Road*, Hongkong, 8th October, 1897.
CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
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ONCE TRIED, ALWAYS PREFERRED.
SAMPLE BOTTLES MAY BE HAD FROM
L. M. ALVARES & CO.,
SOLE AGENTS IN CHINA.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [443

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Undersigned at 3 o'clock P.M., on MONDAY, the 18th October.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 4th to the 18th October, both days inclusive.
JARDINE MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1468

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of October, 1897, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the resolutions following, viz:—
1.—That it is desirable to reconstruct the Company, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that JAMES BERWICK DUNCAN, Esq., be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.
2.—That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named The Punjom Mining Company, Limited, with a Memorandum and Articles of Association which have already been prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors of this Company.
3.—That the draft agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between this Company of the first part and its Liquidator of the second part and the new Company of the third part be and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 149 of the Companies Ordinance, 1865, to enter into an agreement with such new Company when incorporated in the terms of the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks expedient.
Should the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th October, 1897. [1550

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FINAL BONUS of 2½ per cent on CONTRIBUTIONS and a DIVIDEND of $16 per Share for the year 1896, will be PAYABLE on THURSDAY, the 14th instant.
WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the SOCIETY on and after that date.
By Order of the Board,
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th October, 1897. [1560

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

GOVERNMENT OF LABUAN.

TENDERS will be received by the SECRETARY to the GOVERNOR, SANDAKAN, on or before 15th November next, for the following Revenue Farm for 1898:—
OPIUM FARM.
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CUSTOMS FARM for NORTH BORNEO only.
GAMBLING RESTRICTION FARM for NORTH BORNEO.
For Particulars, apply to
Messrs. BIRLEY, DALRYMPLE & Co.,
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Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1471

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VARIETIES IN CADBURY'S CHOCOLATE SWEETS.

CHOCOLATE Almonds, Cremes, Caramels, Macaroons, Mexican, Nougat, Vanilla, Xmas Trees.
In Baskets and Boxes of various pretty designs suitable for presentation:—
TO BE SOLD LOOSE BY LBS.
Also
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Hongkong, 6th October, 1897. [1528

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To-day's Advertisements.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1,165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-NIGHT, the 16th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [1542

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL

TO-NIGHT,

(SATURDAY), the 16th October, 1897, at 9.15 P.M.

THE CINEMATOGRAPH! THE CINEMATOGRAPH!

THE latest improved projecting machine in which the vibration so noticeable and trying to the eyes is now entirely eliminated.

VIEWS OF THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE IN LONDON

will be the special feature of the entertainment.

The following interesting scenes will also be shown:—

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The "Bolero," Spanish Dance.
Place de la Concorde, Paris.
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Love Scene—Columbine and Clown.
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Pleasure Boats on the Seine.
Children playing on the Seashore.
The Nurse Maid.
The Lightning Artist.
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The Magician.
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The Haunted Castle.
A Troubled Dream, and a series of pictures depicting the
QUEEN'S JUBILEE PROCESSION IN LONDON.
INCIDENTAL MUSIC.

The Theatre will be illuminated between each view.

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Seats can be reserved at Messrs. ROBINSON & Co's.

JOHNSON & CHARVET, Proprietors.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [1568

PROMENADE CONCERT

In aid of the Funds of the HONGKONG LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY to be held at the HONGKONG VOLUNTEER HEAD-QUARTERS,

(Kindly lent for the occasion)

ON

TUESDAY, the 19th October, 1897, at 9.15 P.M.

PROGRAMME:—

PART I.

1. March.....'Pere la Victoire'.....Gaunc. The Band.
2. Quartette.'Asad disappointment',McCheane. Messrs. Mirrow, Hill, Grace and Barrett.
3. Selection'Faust'.....Gounod. The Band.
4. Song ... {'Oh! How I love Thee' (Opera "Cigarette.")} H. Parry. Mr. A. C. Van Nierop.
5. Piccolo Duet.'Les Oiseaux de Passage'.Kling. Corporal Harper and Musician Lytton.
6. Quartette...'The Evening Bell'...Franz Abt. Messrs. Mirrow, Hill, Grace and Barret.
7. Cornet Solo'Serenade'.....Braga. Musician Haley.
8. Song...'To Althea from Prison'...Whinfield. Mr. C. H. Grace.
9. Valse Brillante, (Op. 18).....Chopin. The Band.

INTERVAL.

PART II.

1. Grand Military Potpourri {'The Battle of Waterloo'} Eckersburg. The Band.

Synopsis.—Daybreak; morning Gun 4 A.M.—The Reveille sounds. The Camp in motion—The enemy are heard advancing—To horse!—Advance of the British Army in Brigades—They engage the enemy with varying success, but ultimately are victorious—Flight of the enemy and Grand Victory March of the British, concluding with the "Conquering Hero."

With the kind permission of Col. Gordon and the Officers, the Band of the P.W.O. (West Yorkshire Regiment) under the conductorship of Mr. W. G. BENTLEY, A.R.C.M.) will assist in the above programme and will also play the accompaniments of the songs.

TICKETS, $2 each, may be had of Messrs. ROBINSON & Co., who have kindly lent a piano.

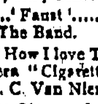
Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [1543

THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are informed that a letter has been received from Mr. CARL GEORG, the Company's Manager at the Mines, which can be seen at the Company's Office.

LÜTGENS, EINSTMANN & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [1575



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"HIROSHIMA MARU,"

Captain N. Ohno, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 22nd instant, at Noon.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [1574

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"MANILA,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignament will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From Madras, *ex* S.S. *Secundra*.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [5

Intimations.

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VICTORIA DISPENSARY,

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Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and other Large Consumers.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [1506

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The Manager "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE. *No. 6, Pedder's Hill.*

Hongkong, 12th October, 1897. [1551

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Hongkong, 17th May, 1897. [821

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No. 1—APRIL, 1897.

Being reports of meetings of Companies and Corporations for periods ending 31st December, 1896.

This pamphlet is published for the convenience of the Commercial Community and is for sale.

PRICE $1 PER COPY,

at the office of the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH," *No. 6, Pedder's Hill.*

Hongkong, 7th May, 1897. [761

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1893. [490

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

BY APPOINTMENT.

WINES & SPIRITS.

WE beg to call attention to our PRICE LIST OF WINES AND SPIRITS as below:—

As these are all selected and bought first hand by our London House we save any intermediate profits and are thereby enabled to supply the best qualities at Moderate Prices.

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(For Invalids and General Use).

		Per doz. Case.	Per Bot.
B	VINTAGE, superior quality, Red Capsule	$14.40	$1.20
C	FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule	16.20	1.35
D	VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE, extra superior, Violet Capsule (*Old Bottled*)	20.40	1.70

SHERRY.

		Per doz. Case.	Per Bot.
B	SUPERIOR PALE DRY, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.	$10.80	$0.90
C	MANZANILLA, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, White Capsule	12.00	1.00
CC	SUPERIOR OLD DRY, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, Red Seal Capsule	12.00	1.00
D	VERY SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule	14.40	1.20
E	EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (*Old Bottled*)	20.40	1.70

B, C, and C are excellent dinner Wines or for invalids and delicate stomachs. D and E are after-dinner Wines of a very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.

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B	ST. ESTEPHE, Red Capsule	$ 6.96	$ 7.56	$0.60	0.35
C	ST. JULIEN, Red Capsule	9.00	9.60	0.75	0.40
D	LA ROSE, Red Capsule	12.96	13.92	1.10	0.60
	SAINTE FOY	7.20	7.92	0.60	0.35
	CUSSAC	9.60	10.44	0.80	0.45
	CHATEAU D'ANGLADE	13.20	14.40	1.10	0.60
	CHATEAU HAUT BRION LARRIVET	18.60	19.20	1.60	0.80
	CHATEAU MOUTON D'ARMAILHACQ	21.00	22.20	1.80	0.90

Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the vine of the grape, and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with cheap Wines.

BRANDY.

		Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
****	*A* HENNESSY'S OLD PALE, Red Capsule.	$18.00	$1.50
*****	*B* SUPERIOR VERY OLD COGNAC, Red Capsule	21.00	1.75
*****	*C* VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC	24.00	2.00
V.O.	*D* HENNESSY'S FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule.	36.00	3.00
V.V.O.	*E* FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1862 Vintage	48.00	4.00

All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.

		Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
	SCOTCH—		
A	THORNE'S BLEND, White Capsule	$10.80	$0.90
B	WATSON'S GLENORCHY MELLOW BLEND Blue Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	10.80	0.90
C	WATSON'S ABELOUR-GLENLIVET, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	12.00	1.00
D	WATSON'S H.K.D BLEND OF THE FINEST SCOTCH MALT WHISKIES, Violet Capsule	14.40	1.20
E	WATSON'S VERY OLD LIQUEUR SCOTCH WHISKY, Gold Capsule	15.00	1.25
	DANIEL CRAWFORD'S FINEST VERY OLD SCOTCH WHISKY	14.40	1.20

Our lowest priced Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. We recommend our customers not to be deterred by the lowness of price from trying them all. For a soda whisky, Thorne's Blend and Watson's Glenorchy are equal to any. Abelour-Glenlivet is a very old Peat Whisky (smoky) that could not be replaced in stock at the price. D and E are too well known to need comment.

		Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
	IRISH—		
A	JOHN JAMESON'S OLD, Green Capsule	$12.00	$1.00
B	JOHN JAMESON'S FINE OLD, Green Capsule	15.00	1.25
C	JOHN JAMESON'S VERY FINE OLD, Green Capsule	18.00	$1.50

All these are very fine and old. C has been stocked in Hongkong in wood for over 20 years, there being little sale for Irish Whisky in the Colony.

		Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bo.
	AMERICAN—		
	GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY, FINE OLD. Red Capsule, with our Name and Trade, Mark	$15.00	1.25

GIN.

		Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
A	FINE OLD TOM, White Capsule	$ 7.20	$0.60
B	FINE UNSWEETENED, White Capsule	7.20	0.60

RUM.

	FINEST OLD JAMAICA, Violet Capsule	$15.00 $1.25
	GOOD LEEWARD ISLAND	6.00 0.50
	GOOD LEEWARD ISLAND	$2.50 per Gal.

LIQUEURS.

BENEDICTINE.	BLACKBERRY BRANDY.
CURAÇOA.	MARASCHINO.
CHARTREUSE.	HERRING'S CHERRY
CREME DE CACAO.	CORDIAL.
PEPPERMINT.	

DR. SIEGERT'S ANGOSTURA BITTERS.

AND

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1897. [6

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1897.

THE ESTIMATES.

The Estimates are out at last. That is to say, they are out of the printer's hands and into the hands of officials and unofficials, but are not yet published, and we are not supposed to know anything about them. We can go to half a dozen gentlemen who will be kind enough to tell us all we want to know, but they add "Don't say I told you, whatever you do!" There is as much mystery made about the Budget as if it was a burglary that was being planned. Perhaps it is something of that sort. It is extremely absurd to make so much fuss about what is really a matter of common knowledge; to say "If you make use of what I tell you I can never tell you anything again;" much loss that would be! We are officially informed that we cannot be permitted now to see the Estimates (though we have seen them) "as it is not in accordance with precedent." If precedent is necessary before a thing can be done, NOAH had no business to build the ark, and ADAM had no business to speak to EVE without an introduction. If a thing must never be done till there is a precedent, why was the earth created? And why does it go round? When Estimates were first printed, such a thing had never been done before. [Easy logic, adapted for the Civil Service.] To openly let the public have this information without any surreptitious nonsense would, admittedly, do no harm, and would probably do some good, since there would be so much the longer time for public consideration of the Budget; and the Government would be doing a sensible thing. But there is no precedent for that

The Government has itself broken the rule, and deserves congratulations. Originally it was intended to increase the taxes by three per cent., namely from 13 per cent. to 16 per cent., to punish the Colony for insisting on a reduction of light dues as per contract. The Budget was carefully framed so as to depend on a minimum revenue from land and other sources which can be used much or little at will, and the expenditure was allowed to total nearly half a million dollars more than the revenue on the old basis, so that an increase of taxation should appear inevitable. We were informed a fortnight ago that the increase was "not settled," and we accepted the statement as nothing more than a matter of form; for we knew that the draft estimates had been put together on the basis of a 16 per cent. assessment, and there is no precedent for estimates to be materially altered once the official "mind" is made up. There are plenty of precedents for $10 being added or deducted here and there, but there is no precedent for alterations running into lakhs of dollars. We have reason to believe this daring reversal of practice is due to H. E. Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON, who on seeing the first rough draft, and the comments thereon in newspapers which were supposed not to know, was impressed with the fact that an increase of taxation would be a violation of his pledges; and that he thereupon ordered the sheet to be balanced in some other way, chiefly by drawing more extensively on the land revenue. His Excellency deserves full credit for what he has done, and if we have occasionally to say unkind things of him, it gives us so much the more pleasure when we can cordially commend his action. In fact, we are encouraged to renew our suggestion, that the Governor might immortalise himself by winking at the deletion of the 1⅞ per cent. military penalty on all the Colony's municipal works. Of course there is no precedent for this, unless the historic performance of NELSON at Copenhagen can be so regarded. But we live in a time of precedent-making. There has been an unprecedented fall in exchange, and the Hongkong ratepayers suffer individually and collectively; each firm, each resident is feeling the handicap more and more heavily, and the Colony is burdened with a gold loan, forced through the Legislative Council by Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON in spite of the earnest warnings of perhaps the ablest financier in the East—a man who at any rate has not more than two equals in his mastery of the silver question. There was no lack of precedents for thus inviting and then flatly ignoring sound and valuable advice, and the results are of a not unprecedented nature, for disaster usually follows in the wake of amateur exchange-gambling. Speculating on the rise and fall of silver is the purest gambling, every bit as bad as that which has ruined the Hongkong police force. But the Government gambled without having to bribe anybody, and now it is not the Government that suffers, but the taxpayers. It is poor satisfaction to the Hon. T. H WHITEHEAD that he can now say "I told you so!" It is profitless to him to tell his colleagues what they deserve to be told, for their feeble support of his protest. The evil is done, and the only profitable thing to do now is to remember the lesson so dearly bought. The Government and the weak-kneed members of the Opposition will probably not profit by the lesson, for that would be contrary to precedent.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE VENEZUELA ARBITRATION.

LONDON, October 14th.

Professor Maertens of St. Petersburg University has been chosen as umpire in the Venezuelan Arbitration. The Court of Arbitration will assemble in Paris next autumn.

MOVEMENTS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN FLEET.

Five British war-ships have sailed from Malta to Alexandria.

RESIGNATION OF THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS.

The Master of the Rolls has resigned.

BIMETALLISM.

The *Times* states that a letter is being drawn up for the purpose of expressing the grave objection of the majority of the leading City men to any Government movement in the direction of bimetallism.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE English mail is due to-morrow morning.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is $10.20 per £.

A RANGOON cricket team is to visit Calcutta in December.

H.M.S. *Pique* went up to Shanghai on the 9th and will winter there.

THE two Chinese charged with receiving stolen property in East Street were brought up at the Magistracy to-day and remanded for a week.

THE Bishop of Rangoon, while driving in his carriage a few days ago, was overturned and his coachman was killed, but the Bishop was not hurt.

TEAMS from the H.K. F. C. will play an inter-club match, under Association rules, at Happy Valley, on Monday afternoon. Kick-off at 4.45 p.m. sharp.

BY kind permission of Colonel Gordon and Officers 1st Bn. (P.W.O.) West Yorkshire Regiment, the Band of the Regiment will play at the Peak Club this evening, from 9.15 p.m. to 11.15 p.m., weather permitting.

WE have received a copy of the P. & O. Co.'s Time-table, showing the proposed movements of mail steamers for the year 1898 in accordance with the new and *accelerated* services which have been arranged in accordance with the terms of the new contract with the Government.

IN the Cricket Match to-day between the H.K.C.C. and H.K.F.C., the latter batted first, making 138 (A. G. Ward 47 and C. W. Gordon 28). The Cricket Club scored 168 in their first innings (Sercombe Smith 39, Laughorne 38, Cox 27, Johnstone 22). At 5.30 the Football Club had lost three wickets for 15 runs in their second innings. The H.K.R. band played during the afternoon and there was a large attendance of spectators.

ACTING Inspector Hall and his "merrie men" raided a gambling shop, 48, Bay Street, Quarry Bay, at 7 a.m. to-day and bagged fifteen players. The men are nearly all employed at the Sugar Works and go in for about three days' fantan each month, when they are paid. The chief offender was fined $50, in default six weeks; three were "bound over" for six weeks, one was discharged and the others were fined $5 or fourteen days.

A NAVAL AND MILITARY RIFLE MEETING is to be held on the Naval Range at Kowloon, on Thursday, the 21st instant, to commence at 12.30 p.m. sharp. There are 15 events, and the entries close at 6 p.m. on the 18th instant. All entrance fees must be sent to the Hon. Sec. on board H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel*. Prizes:—1st 45 per cent., 2nd 30 per cent., 3rd 15 per cent. of entries, (10 per cent. going towards working expenses), No 3rd prize unless 6 entries; if less than 6, the 3rd prize to be given to the fund. Rules can be seen at Committee tent. Bisley rules, service positions. Rifle:—Lee-Metford.

THE vagrant Chinaman seems to have as great a predilection for the water as an otter when he is being pursued. P. C Hogarth, of No. 2 Station, at 5.10 a.m. to-day saw a suspicious looking Celestial passing the French convent, on Praya East, carrying two oil drums. The officer challenged the man, who at once dropped his burden and made off. He took a bee-line for the German Pier and made a beautiful dive, breaking water many yards away. Hogarth soon got in pursuit in a sampan and after a long chase he found his man, who was well-nigh "done," clinging to the propellor of a launch moored off Fenwick's works. To-day, for unlawful possession of the oil drums the natatorial artist was sentenced by Mr. Wodehouse to 14 days' hard labour.

P. C. O'SULLIVAN, at the Magistracy to-day, proceeded against a sampan owner for taking passengers from a prohibited place. At 11 p.m. on Thursday the offender took three Europeans from the wooden structure between the Bank Wharf and Market Wharf. He called on the boatmen to stop. They did not and the constable jumped for the boat and went into the water. Being a Corkonian, the P. C. could not drown but it was a tough time for him in the heavy break until one of the passengers hauled him aboard. He then found that the boat's number was very carefully concealed by a tarpaulin. The defendant made an ingenious defence and said he hauled the constable aboard. This did not avail and the Magistrate said it was a very bad case. He fined defendant $10 and subsequently his license was cancelled.

Two employees of a tinsmith, in business in Keswick Street, Wanchai, were to-day charged at the Magistracy with demanding money, with menaces, from their late employer, they being armed at the time. The master tinker and a *fokí* gave evidence that the defendants came twice to the shop armed with revolvers and swords, and demanded three or four dollars, and they asked the master whether he valued his life or money most. Their wages being already overdrawn their request was refused. Defendants denied having overdrawn their wages and said they were not armed. They only asked for money due to them. Mr. Wodehouse remanded the case for a week. Inspector Mann, who had charge of the proceedings, asked for substantial bail, but his Worship said he would not demand it. Bail of one surety of $25 each was allowed the defendants.

IN the recent triennial examinations for what is called the "M.A. degree," at Peking, over 16,000 candidates competed, but only 73 were successful, and of this small number Kwangtung has no fewer than 27.

A FRESH survey of the railway track from Shanghai for about a mile out towards Woosung will have to be made, because the wooden posts, driven several feet into the ground, to mark the route, have all been stolen.

THE P. & O. steamer *Manila*, which arrived last night, reports heavy N.E. gale and high and confused seas from Macclesfield Bank to Hongkong. At 9 a.m. to-day Gap Rock and Cape D'Aguilar reported strong N.E. breeze, and rough sea.

OWING to the unfavourable weather last night the open-air Charity Concert, to have been held at the H.K. V. C.'s headquarters, had again to be postponed. The date has now been fixed for Tuesday, the 19th inst., and if the weather then is unpropitious the concert will be held in the City Hall.

THE Band of the West Yorks Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess to-morrow evening:—

Wedding March	Euryanthe	Weber
Overture	Iphigenie en Aulide	Gluck
Sacred Chorus	La Carita	Rossini
Selection	Le Roi de Lahore	Massenet
God save the Queen.		

THE following Churches will make collections to-morrow (Hospital Sunday) on behalf of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals:—St. John's Cathedral, Union Church, St. Peter's Church, St. Stephen's Church, Wesleyan Church, Bethesda (German) Chapel, Wesleyan Mission Chinese Church, To Tsai (L. M. S. Chinese) Chapel, Hakka Catechist (Basel Mission, Chinese), and Baptist Mission Chinese Church.

ACTING Sergeant Williamson proceeded against a number of street obstructionists to-day and the offenders were fined sums ranging from $5 to $10. P. C. Coults had an offender in the same class, a builder, who was allowed till Wednesday next, to clear a lot of bricks, &c., from the side channel in Aberdeen Road. P. C. Watters had a like case from Kowloon, but as there was a doubt as to the ownership of the property, the case was remanded till Tuesday.

IN acknowledging receipt of three highly coloured sheets of pictorial advertisements from the *Straits Times* last week, we erroneously stated that a Hongkong paper had published something of the same sort not long ago. We find that the "bobby dazzler" has not yet been published in Hongkong; arrangements were made by our contemporary, and confiding advertisers were induced to supply pictures and make contracts for fabulous sums of money—money enough to buy up any average Eastern newspaper and give it working capital to rival *The Times*—money enough to keep pace with Eno's fruit salt and Pears' soap in the matter of compelling the whole world's attention—money enough (if judiciously applied) to boom the Hongkong industries higher than the premium on gold—money enough to retain the services of a Briton Riviere, a Phil May, and a Takahashi Chodasaburo, to make the pictures artistic, amusing, and so lurid that the beholder would join the Blue Ribbon Army in holy terror. But the Hongkong pictures have not yet flashed on the awe-struck gaze of the wondering world, and the bloated capitalists who allowed themselves to be talked over are feeling anxious, not lest the pictures fail to turn up, but lest they turn out violent vermilion vexations. If anybody interested would like to see how the Singapore pictures have turned out, we are always ready to oblige.

THE total value of Nagasaki's exports and imports during September amounted to *yen* 437,457 and *yen* 817,221 respectively, the excess of imports over exports being *yen* 379,764.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Bradley & Co.	$25
Owen Ordish	10

THE following are the newly-elected officers of the Kowloon Football Club:—Mr. George Wilson, Captain; Mr. R. Smellie, Vice-Captain, and Mr. W. Moore, Tsimsatsui Police Station, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. Practice will commence about the beginning of next month.

TELEGRAMS from the front sometimes contain astonishing pieces of information, says the Bombay *Gazette*; we are informed by wire that "General Elles had concentrated his force two-and-a-half inches from the scene of Colonel Woon's action!" The telegraph staff is so overworked just now that we must learn to take this sort of thing philosophically.

RECENTLY a Kobe jinrikisha-man, hearing that one of his fraternity was wanted in a private capacity, duly made application, writes "F.A.G." in the *Chronicle*. "How much do you want?" asked the lady of the house. "Thirteen yen, *dozo*, and to dine with the cook." "Dine with the cook?" "Yes; I always make a point of dining with the cook where I am engaged." "Oh," said the lady, slowly, "you do. Well, I'm afraid you won't suit. You see, we want a jinrikisha-man who will dine with the family."

WITHIN the past twelve months the returns of the great water companies show that 14,500 new houses have been built in London. The usual annual increase of buildings is 1,000, but the returns show the building operations last year to have been on a more extended scale. At the very moderate average of five persons to a house, this makes 70,000 persons—a good-sized town, which in America would certainly be a city. Some of the houses would be built only to replace old ones, so that this does not represent the increase of population; but it means nevertheless the building of a whole town every year.

MR. ERICH GEORG'S *Weekly Share List*, dated October 16th, says that business during the week under review has been fairly active and the market closes much stronger, although money still remains tight. A rather extensive business has been put through in Punjoms at $43 to $4 for ordinaries, and at $1.45 to $1.40 for preference shares, the stock closing with buyers at the lower rates. An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders will be held on 27th instant to consider a proposal for the reconstruction of the Company, about which the daily papers give particulars. It is understood that in the new Company the preference shares will remain the same, while the same number of ordinary shares will be taken with a further liability of $4 per share, of which $1 will be called up. If the reconstruction scheme is carried, Chanbonnages have taken a sudden spurt, and after sales at $87 and $90, the stock jumped to sales at $100, at which rate shares can be placed.

A SUM of $1,000 in silver mysteriously disappeared from the Kinta Treasury at the beginning of this month and arduous endeavours to trace the missing money have so far proved futile. As a last resource a reward of $200 has been offered for information.

THE *Malay Mail* has the authority of Col Walker for stating that the information supplied to the *Pinang Gazette* concerning the "Sowing of Sedition" among the Malay States Guides in Kuala Lumpur (namely that a Sikh had received a letter from India announcing great victories over the British and calling for a simultaneous rising in Selangor) is utterly without foundation.

THE Sandakan paper reports that Capt. Reddie and Mr. Bernaut returned *via* Sugut River from the interior on the 2nd, after shelling Mat Salleh's fort for a time. They found it however too strong to be taken without a probability of a very heavy loss, so came back for more men, in the meantime leaving S. M. Natha Singh and a good body of police in charge of the stores, etc., at Parachangan to keep Mat Salleh under observation.

THE French are taking very earnestly to the game of bicycle tug-of-war. Teams are generally five on a side. Each man has hold of the rope, or rather a thick cord. At the signal the teams are started in opposite directions. The battle isn't long, but is very interesting, owing to the spectacular trouble the weaker side gets as it is pulled irresistibly backward. And yet it is the French who laugh at our attractive pursuits and call us mad.

THE Saigon *Semaine Coloniale* says a steam tricycle has made its appearance in Indo-China, and daily the handsome machine is to be seen going round the town. The owner, M. Dalvy, says it can go 80 kilom. [illegible] in three hours (about 10 or 12 miles an hour). It signifies a revolution in locomotion, and no doubt the time will soon come when everybody will "automobilise." In a recent moto-car race from Paris to Dieppe 59 vehicles competed. All but one, a steam-driven carriage, were petroleum motors. The steam carriage came in a good second.

THE Japanese are evidently still dissatisfied with their naval position in spite of the large sums which they have spent in the last few years on both ships and guns. They say the *British Realm*. They have recently placed an order with the well-known Elswick firm for a first-class battle-ship, which is to be both larger, faster, and more heavily armed than the finest ships in the British Navy. A novelty in design consists in the whole hull being protected with armour from stem to stern by a belt of Harveyed steel armour, which is to be 4 inches thick at the extremities, increased to 9 inches amidships, the belt being 8 feet 2 inches in depth. If the estimated natural draught speed of 18 knots is attained, this vessel will undoubtedly be the most powerful warship in the world. Certainly the active friendship of the Japs in the next naval war will be worth some sacrifice. Not satisfied with an enormous naval expenditure, this enterprising people are determined to be equally formidable by land, and measures are now being introduced to facilitate the mobilization of their army, and to improve the training of both officers and men. It is quite within the bounds of possibilities that ere long Russia may find Japan a very awkward nut to crack, and as the interests of the two powers bid fair to clash, both in Corea and elsewhere, it is impossible to foresee how soon they may be at loggerheads.

THE tonnage of ocean-going vessels, including war ships, arrived at and cleared from the ports of the Straits Settlements during 1896 was 23,052,630, against 11,684,795 in 1895. During the first six months of this year, the aggregate tonnage of arrivals and departures in Singapore alone was 4,710,348, which is 464,728 tons more than during the corresponding period of 1896, and there is every indication that the tonnage of all three Settlements for this year taken together will exceed that for the previous year. The trade of the Colony during 1896 was:—

In Imports	$186,196,932
In Exports	161,777,519
Total	$347,974,451

against $346,169,233 in 1895, or an increase of $1,805,218 over the figures for 1895. The Trade Returns for the first-half of 1897, as compared with those for the corresponding period of 1896, shew a large increase, the figures being $176,374,292 and $171,002,252, respectively, or an increase of $5,370,040. It may be noted that the average demand rates of exchange on which these figures are based for the two half-years were 2/2¾ for 1896 and 2/0¾ for 1897 (2/1¾ for the 1st quarter 1897, which dropped to 2/0 during the 2nd quarter.) The value of the Imports into the three Settlements for the first-half of 1897 was $97,444,453, an increase of six millions over that for the same period of 1896, of which the most noticeable increases are about $3,500,000 in Live Animals, Food, Drink, &c., and of over 2,000,000 in Manufactured Textiles, particularly Cotton Piece Goods. The value of the Exports was $78,919,839, shewing a falling off of about one million dollars, as compared with the figures for the first-half of 1896. Tin declined by a little over $1,000,000, and certain articles of produce, such as Copra and Gambier, also decreased by about a million dollars, but there are increases in Spices, Rattans and Raw Hides aggregating about a million.

A CORRESPONDENT who has just visited Sandakan writes to the Singapore *Free Press*:—In approaching Sandakan things look much the same, until you come in sight of the Stone Church under construction, and the Clock Tower. These two stand out in the foreground as something new. The church I had an opportunity of going over, on the day after my arrival with Mr. Elton, the Chaplain. The Sanctuary is nearing completion, that is to say, the masonry is nearly finished and the framework of the roof is in position. Of the transept and nave only the foundations are laid. The shafts of the windows and all the arches are made and turned in Hongkong granite, the rest of the stone is from a local quarry, and is of a grey green colour; the whole is laid in Portland cement mortar. The pipes, which are by Mr. B. W. Mountfort, Architect of Christchurch, New Zealand, are in the early English style, and in beautiful proportion. The work has been carried out by Chinese, who, to begin with, were little or very little better than *coolies*, and under no other supervision than Mr. Elton's. I know something of building work and of the cities of the East, and I say unhesitatingly, that as a thoroughly sound, substantial piece of work, there is nothing that can compare with it East of Rangoon and West of Japan. Of the latter country I know nothing of my own knowledge, as I have not been there, but there is nothing in Singapore, Hongkong, or even Shanghai, that can compare with it for strength and durability. (If he knew anything of Japan he would not mention "durability" in the same sentence; and if there is nothing in Hongkong having strength and durability to compare with this Sandakan church it must be a wonderful structure!—Ed. *H.K.T.*) The Clock Tower is built entirely of billies, and seems to be fairly substantial; the plans are by a local architect and are in the very early Bornean style. However, it carries successfully a clock, which seems to keep pretty good time, and generally strikes the hours without any assistance from a policeman. (This is more than can be said of Hongkong's clock tower.—Ed. *H.K.T.*)

MEN OF THE PERIOD.

THE AMATEUR STOCKBROKER.

The amateur stockbroker is generally a foreign banker. A foreign banker has been described as a man to whom everything about banking is completely foreign; but this is a mere negative description. He is a gentleman whom one meets in all drawing-rooms, and welcomes in none—that is, after the first fresh charm of his acquaintance has worn off. This is not because he is not a good fellow, the best of good fellows indeed, but only because he is unpleasantly reminiscent of a certain little hiatus in our cheque-book. Sundry twinges in that sensitive part of our consciences which we keep in our waistcoat pockets are due to him. He is a man whom we have believed blindly, followed egregiously, and whose unvarying sympathy leaves us sore.

The amateur stockbroker always wears new clothes, and those that are in the height of fashion; an air of charming prosperity hovers about him, a prosperity in which he is largely, nay pressingly, anxious that all his friends and even acquaintances should share. He is such a good fellow and such a good looking fellow and such an amiable fellow, that the women purr over him, and coo over him, and flutter about him in a way which, he will tell you in confidence, he feels quite embarrassing. He is to them a bewildering shadow of Pactolus. *They* never cease to believe in him, notwithstanding the most indubitable evidences of his fallibility. On Monday night he will come into the drawing-room with the most jubilant air conceivable; he will buttonhole one acquaintance after the other, and they will catch the reflection from his beaming face, and leave him with an introspective smile of supreme content. You can see they are calculating "how much" they will put into it! There is money in the air when he moves, a magnetic following rustles round him—you will be unable to resist the impulse. "Ernest has a good thing on" is a phrase that echoes round the room, and over the wine he gives it away freely. He has heard what the Rio Tintos dividend is going to be; it is one per cent. more than it has ever been before; the shares will go up like wildfire; you won't be able to buy them at all as soon as it gets about. This isn't a speculation, it is an investment. The jobbers have sold short, and will be in a devil of a hole. Anybody who has got the money and can afford to take up the stock—and to hold on—will realise a fortune. He has the whole thing so pat, he is so certain about it, he is so genuinely concerned for anybody who disagrees with him, and so sorry they should lose such a unique chance, that really there seems nothing for it but a wire to Throgmorton Street before the House opens, and to look again at that pair of horses that you couldn't afford yesterday but which will be a mere trifle to you by to-morrow evening. And if, by an unfortunate coincidence, you meet him again on Wednesday, and question him ironically about that dividend and that rise, who so full of explanations, not only plausible, but absolutely convincing, as the sanguine amateur? "Who could imagine that the South Africa Committee would have brought out a Report like that. My dear fellow, don't be so absurd; can't you see it has upset the whole market? You hold on, take my tip, *hold on*, you'll get out all right." If, bewildered, you try and find the link between the South Africa Committee and the undoubted fall in Rio Tintos, you are dumfounded with hearing of the differences it will make in contangos, an unknown species to you, and that the jobbers must, of couse, "even their books," which is equally or more incomprehensible. Your broker's request for a cheque is, indeed, the only intelligible fact in the whole transaction.

"Did you change those 'Tintos' into 'Cordova Centrals' as I told you?" he will ask a fortnight later, "because, if so, you must have done marvellously well; they have gone up nearly 5 per cent." When you explain, in an exasperated way, that you never heard of Cordova or its Centrals, and that you changed nothing, and did nothing, except to follow his disastrous advice, he is full of condolence, he will hardly believe that you are right, and that he did not mention it; he will go over an imaginary conversation, and try and bring back to your mind what it was he did say, and in the end *he* will be quite persuaded he did tell you, and *you* will be a little uncertain. "Anyway, it is not too late now, Cordovas, to my mind, are only just beginning their rise. You change your Tintos into them, and I'll watch the markets for you, and let you know what to do. I can't bear to think you've made a loss through me; there's a great future in South American." Well, the man is so genuine and so persuasive, that ten to one you follow his suggestions and change your Rio Tintos, which promptly rise, into Cordovas, which remain stationary for many months, during which you are in receipt of fortnightly slips of paper teaching you practically the meaning of the word contango. Then you get a boisterous telegram, or a hurried visit at your staid office, from Ernest, "Cordovas are *the* feature of the market; you'd better sell." You sell, and Ernest congratulates you and himself, and beams and shines more than ever. Press him gently with figures, deduct cost of buying and selling and carrying over, and show him the result plain and net, he will overwhelm you with the heartiness of his pleasure in finding you "have got out so well, without a loss at all. You mustn't reckon expenses, you can't do that on the Stock Exchange. Why, the 'turn' would have made all the difference. You should get your broker to give you the 'turn.'"

The amateur stockbroker reports a "booming" when some stock of which no one ever market heard has risen a thirty-second. The problem he presents to an inquiring mind is, whence emanates his persistent prosperity? for that he is prosperous there seems no doubt. He has a flat in St. James's, and a yacht in the Solent, he drives a phaeton, and he knows the waiters at the Savoy personally. They jostle each other to attend on him. Obviously he is as free with his ready-money tips as he is with those mysterious ones which make him so aggressively and unreasonably popular. As he prefers not to "deal" for his friends, and rarely recommends a broker, the theory that he profits personally by his mistakes in judgment is untenable. Something in the background about "coupons" is the generally received feminine opinion, but men "in the know" will tell you that is a mere bagatelle, that Ernest makes money because he is such a good fellow, and such a foolish fellow that his innumerable cousins and brothers, nephews, and uncles "put him into everything that they have and only tell him of it afterwards, when it is too late for his incorrigible habit of spreading abroad the good news to work any harm to their syndicates." This may be so, or his partner may gather in the honey whilst he basks in the sunshine of men's and women's smiles; for Ernest is no anchorite. And a third theory is, by the way, that he habitually lives above his means. But whatever theory is correct, one fact is assured: Ernest is the best fellow in the world, and the less advantage one has taken of his amiable desire that one should make money, the more one is free to appreciate his amiability, his *bonhomie*, his cheery anxiety to help everybody, his generosity, and genial *camaraderie*. Ernest is at his best among the women. If he advises them to their disadvantage, he pays their losses to his own; and if ever his attentions should swerve from stocks and shares, there are many indications that he would make an admirable co-respondent, if nothing better.—*Truth*.

UNDER CANVAS.

The rainy weather continued yesterday afternoon and proved rather trying on the Volunteers in the Camp. Many of the tent boards were wet and the ground was very slippery. At 5 p.m. yesterday the men had to wear capes and great coats while at the company drill. An N.C.O. made himself conspicuous by a fall, caused by his leg tripping over a peg when running to blatent for his cape while the men were on parade. He wasn't hurt; it was the leg-gear that got damaged. During the day some nimble-fingered members of the Corps were engaged in making dummy figures intended to be placed on sampans for the 7 pr. firing this afternoon. They were made of coolies' dress and Khaki uniform filled up with anything handy, a lantern forming the headpiece. About sixteen were made to represent prominent members of the Corps and on the whole the work showed that they were executed with much skill. After dinner there was the usual desire for larks, some of the men loosened the guy ropes of one of the tents and pulled it down over the heads of some of the sedate ones, who blessed them deeply. A little later some men had a set-to with buckets of water. They threw water over each other as if to the manner born and one of them looked towards the finish as if he had had an impromptu bath in a duck pond.

At 6.15 a.m. to-day both units had battery drill. There was a large number of Volunteers who remained at camp all day, and after breakfast all hands joined in games of cricket and football until it was time to fall in for the midday "chow pidgin."

The only invalid so far is Trumpeter Plinstone, who developed fever yesterday. He was promptly treated, but is still far from well.

This afternoon the Volunteers fired at the sampans with 7-prs. and Maxim guns.

The following was the *repertoire* for the manœuvring this afternoon, and it was understood that it would be followed as closely as possible:—The enemy having landed at Mirs Bay pushes a small body of infantry over the Northern Hills with the intention of capturing Stonecutters Island by a *coup de main*. This body of infantry embarks in junks and sampans at Sam-sui-po and sails down, wind N.E., intending to land on the sandy beach adjoining the Naval Rifle Range. The Volunteers, who are encamped at Stonecutters, East, turn out, and by means of an effective fire from their 7-prs. and Maxims succeed in preventing the enemy from landing. The enemy, being repulsed, make for the Capsuimoon Pass under a galling fire from the heavy guns. The enemy was to be represented by four sampans sailing in the direction indicated in the programme.

We are sorry to hear that the band has suspended operations for a time, pending further arrangements. It is said that several members have resigned, a fact for which the whole corps will feel very sorry.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWS LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SYDNEY, September 21st.

It is now "quite a time" as an American friend says, since last you heard from me. Truth to tell, what with the Jubilee janketting and the Butler case, we have had little to talk of else. Then, there was the return of "our boys" from England, and for a long time past we have been having "first person" narratives poured into our ears of experiences with the Guards; horse and foot, the volunteers from all parts of the British Empire, and last, but not least, graphic descriptions of the sights of London. A big divorce case between "station" people has also been occupying attention for weeks past to the exclusion of everything else, and I think I am only one of many delinquent correspondents.

Football's "out" and cricket's "in," and there is a very appreciable indication that we shall soon hear the Diego's ice-cream bugle in every street in city and suburbs. By the way the football season ended in a real lovely manner, judged by Donnybrook ethics. In a semi-final Second Junior match on the 11th the referee was assaulted by one of the "barrackers" (partisans of either side) and on the assailant being arrested by the solitary policeman present, his pals rescued him. A little later "barrackers" began assaulting players and the match culminated in a free fight of the most gorgeous description, some hundreds taking a hand in it. On the same day another player was assaulted in a Fifth Juniors' final and in a Senior Match the language of the players was most distressful to ears polite. It has been said that there must be something queer about Rugby to develop the brutal in this way. Our laws prohibit boxing matches but the average spar is quite insipid alongside some of our football matches. One of the papers sarcastically remarks that when next we are sending a warlike contingent home a team of our footballers (and referees) would ably represent us as men who have braved dangers that many of our military never dreamed of.

The steam trams are keeping up their lick as slaughtering machines. In one day lately two lads were juggernauted out of life and no end of narrow escapes have been reported. These steams trams of ours, with their smoke, jolting and whistling, are at once the horror and amusement of most folk from abroad and people frequently say, "Why, they're railways!"

A good while ago the *Bulletin* had a cartoon showing two horses in a country paddock. A camel team was coming down the track and the young country horse began to cavort round fearfully. His friend, an old Sydney 'bus horse, asked him what was the trouble. "Oh, look at those things," was the reply. The old 'un sniffed contemptuously and said "Pork that's nothing; wait till you get to Sydney and see the trams, then you'll have something to shy at." Sarcastic but true, ole hoss.

There has been a lot of trouble among the miners on strike at the Lucknow gold mines (Orange). Assaults on managers and non-union men have been frequent and now men are being brought up from Bendigo (Vic). A party arrived at the mine the other day with an escort of 16 armed troopers alongside the coach, so that will show how things are looking.

It is pleasing to know that the big coal lock out at the Dudley mine has ceased and the men are all at work and kept busy, too, to supply demands.

Speaking of coal, the arrival of the Japan steamer *Hikosan Maru* at Newcastle for a loading of 4,400 tons for Yokohama, caused a good deal of talk in Sydney and Coalopolis. Japan has been counted one of our chief competitors in the black diamond trade and has hurt Newcastle considerably in her dealing with foreign ports. However, two Japanese Commissioners visited Newcastle a little time since, and as a result of their visit, combined with the restriction of the output of coal in Japan, several contracts have been entered into for the supply of Newcastle coal. Specimens were taken to Japan, and it seems that those of the Newcastle Coal Company met with most favor there, which resulted in that company securing, at a satisfactory price, a large contract. It is understood that a Japanese Commissioner is shortly to visit Newcastle, when it is expected that further large orders will be given, so that coal owners are now counting upon Japan as a new market for our coal.

There are fortunes constantly being made in this great colony, some quickly by a lucky *coup*, other slowly and by dint of years of steady pulling left. One, Mr. J. T. Neale, was in the latter class. He died universally respected and possibly his *manes* will have even greater respect as he has left no less than £18,500 in various sums to all the charitable institutions of the city and, God knows, some of them wanted a helping hand. Besides this he has left legacies to 110 relatives and friends.

Out in the bush one hears some strange stories of hair-breadth escape and the latest to hand this week is worth telling:—During a heavy thunderstorm two miners were seated over their camp fire, at Bonang when a strong gust of wind caused the smoke to whirl into one Con's face, and hastily rising from his seat at the fire he stepped back into the hut; at the same moment a tree measuring from fifteen to eighteen inches in diameter fell crashing into the hut and fireplace, and smashing the seat which the man had left into splinters. One of the slabs from the chimney struck the other man (Callinan) heavily across the shoulders, but beyond that and the shock which both men received no other harm befel them. One side and the end of the hut, however, was completely wrecked; but the tree struck the hut and fortunately missed the ridge pole.

Truly the lot of the farmer in new South Wales, what with floods, droughts, storms and bush fires, is not a happy one and now another trouble is added to their list. In the Rylstone district a pest has appeared that promises dire destruction to sheep flocks. Down Bylong and on the Goulburn River some unknown animal has been playing havoc with the flocks, and it is stated that during the past week a number of graziers have found the fattest of their sheep killed by having their throats torn, and a hole made into the loins of the animal, and the kidneys and kidney fat eaten, while the other portion of the carcase has not been interfered with. Experienced station hands give it as their opinion that this is not the work of the dingo or native dog, but of some animal with whose habits they have been hitherto unacquainted. It is known that an English fox has been captured near Gulgong and another in the vicinity of Wollar, and people are wondering if Reynard is responsible for this latest style of slaughter. The unfortunate pastoralists have had enough to put up with without the depredations of this new and mysterious animal, considering the low prices and bad seasons.

On the 14th official advices were received here by the representative of the German New Guinea Company, confirming the death of Herr Curt Von Hagen, the director-general of the company. The advices state that he was shot dead on August 21 by a Buka (New Ireland) native, who had previously made himself notorious by murdering Herr Ehlers, a distinguished explorer and personal friend of the German Emperor. For this crime he was arrested but succeeded in escaping from prison, and it was while being pursued that he shot Herr Von Hagen. This latest murder caused great excitement amongst the residents, especially as the sailors of the warship *Falke* and the troopers were unable to recapture him. He was assisted in making his escape by certain tribes of New Guinea natives.

A terrible catastrophe has occurred at Block 12 in the Proprietary Silver Mine, Broken Hill. The mine caught fire from some unexplained cause at 7 a.m. on the 12th inst. and three fine young fellows were asphyxiated by the noxious gases. A lad has also had his eyes badly injured by dynamite. Those who know, say that some men have received the Victoria Cross for far little than some of the gallant fellows in the rescue parties did, when bringing out their insensible comrades.

Mr. Ben Tillett, Secretary of the London Dockers' Union, addressed a crowd of 8000 or 9000 in the Domain on Sunday on behalf of the Lucknow strikers. He had all the labour agitators' diatribes off glibly—the "fat man" getting it hot, and he wound up by urging the Sydney merchants and manufacturers to follow the example of the people in Germany, France, Spain, Italy, and other countries, by joining the ranks of those who were seeking to better the condition of all mankinds. Most of our own labour leaders seek to better themselves by getting a seat in the 'Ouse, with its incidental £300 a year and free railways over the colonies.

In Sir William Windeyer, our late Chief Justice, news of whose death was cabled from Bologna on the 14th, there has passed away a man whose actions have been more commented upon in the last 10 or 12 years than any other in the colony. Sir William was known to many as a second Jefferys for having sentenced the boys concerned in the notorious Mount Rennie case to death, four being hanged. He was a stern, fearless, implacable man, but those who knew him best speak of him as having always made for truth and justice despite the odds, and it was perhaps his very indifference to public opinion that won him many harsh criticisms. He became Vice-Chancellor of Sydney University last year. He had latterly accepted a temporary appointment in the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and was at Bologna for his health. In 1857 he was law reporter on the *Empire* (now *Evening News*) and, previously taking up the legal profession he was appointed a Supreme Court Judge in 1879, after a brilliant career at the bar. He retired last year on a pension of £1820 per annum. About his latest trial in N.S.W. was that of the notorious George Dean, the would-be wife poisoner.

SIAM NEWS.

The latest report from the Petchaburee Station of the American Presbyterian Station notes an instance of the injustice that may be done under Siamese law by the custom of arresting the relatives of an absconding offender. The difficulty is to know what can take its place. It appears that the son of a woman who attended Mrs. McClure's class for women, eloped with another man's wife and cannot be found. His mother has accordingly been made a prisoner and has to work in the rice fields. The Mission find they cannot get her released, but they say:—"We rejoice to know that Their Majesties the King and Queen of Siam are out of sympathy with this old law which often works great hardship and injustice, and that there is good prospect of a new and better law to take its place."—*Bangkok Times*.

A case is reported from near Chantaboon which throws some light on the debt slave system which prevails in Siam. Ai Rot was the slave of Amdeng Yem who sent him loaded in chains to work in her paddy fields. Not satisfied with the man's endeavours the slave owner savagely beat the unfortunate man with a stick. This chastisement was continued until the fettered slave fell down from exhaustion in the field. After he had somewhat recovered he was again sent to work in the fields loaded with chains and again gave dissatisfaction. His inhuman owner again fell upon him with blows and belaboured the poor man so severely that he died the same night of his injuries. Amdeng Yem, the slave owner, has been arrested for murder.

On the 15th instant the Chinese Inspector of the Spirit Farm, accompanied by several policemen, went to arrest a number of Chinese engaged in the illicit distillation of shamshu at Bau Gee Run. The distillers united, and as they were armed with rifles and swords a severe fight took place in which the Inspector and policemen were beaten off with several wounded. The Chinese distillers are said to be a numerous and desperate class and as they are all well armed they are a danger to the city.

On the 30th of last month a steam launch was fired upon at Bangkok, where resides the Governor of Nakon Sawan. As the launch passed the village several armed natives came down to the bank and fired several shots at the vessel. Fortunately no one was hit. The "Nai Tai" stopped and enquired why his launch was fired at, when he was informed that it was to prevent the launch going full speed and so damaging the floating houses and boats of the people stationed along the bank. This new method of preventing launches going full speed—a very reprehensible practice—near floating houses and small boats has been reported in Bangkok.

At Pakpria a riot is said to have been caused by the theft of a pair of boots by a policeman. It is alleged that a sergeant in the force stole a pair of boots from a Chinaman's shop. The Chinaman complained to his chief and the boots were restored. The sergeant, however, obtained the aid of six of his men to recover the boots and proceeded to adopt coercive measures against the Chinaman. While these measures were in full swing two Sikh policemen appeared on the scene and took the part of the owner of the boots. The fight was, it is said, severe and a number of shots were fired and two Sikhs severely wounded. Matters were further developed by the police turning out in force on hearing the noise of the firing and joining in the *mêlée*. Eventually the affair was concluded by the arrest of the Chinaman who protested against the theft of his boots!—*Free Press*.

It is a curious fact, remarks the last Administration Report of the Southern Shan States, that the Kengtung Shans looks upon the Was as the aboriginal inhabitants of the country, or at least of that central and rather indeterminate part of it which compised the 32 cities of the Hkon. At the installation of a new chief two men of the Wa tribe take a prominent part. Their function is to hand over the States to the accepted ruler as the old lords of the soil. They are then driven from the *haw* (palace) by a Shan official. It need hardly be said that the Wa is as heartily despised by the Shan as any other hill-man and has no influence whatever in the choice of Chief. His employment at an investiture is dictated by old superstition, and is, probably, intended to be commemorative of the Shan conquest of the country. We have here, perhaps, an example of the strange feelings which a defeated and presumably inferior people inspire in their conquerors. The primitive race, though hated and despised, is regarded as powerful in certain ways as generally malevolent, and to be conciliated when this can be done without too great concession.

On Wednesday, Sept. 15th, Mr. Archibald Maclean entrusted a sum of 1400 ticals to his two servants, Nai Toh, formerly employed in the Bangkok Tramway Company, and another man, to be paid to Nai Kok at Bankolem for wood. Nai Toh carried a bag containing 800 ticals, and the other the balance of 600 ticals. On the way Nai Toh had the carriage stopped near the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, saying that he would get the money changed into notes, as the bag was too heavy for him. He went towards the Bank and disappeared. As he did not return the other went back to his master and informed him of Nai Toh's action. Eventually Nai Toh was arrested and marched off to the Boilspah Court.

A Danish sailor has been missing from his ship for several days, and it is said that the last time he was in the company of three Chinese. His body was found at Paknam on Monday by the riverside, minus a leg and the head. As several large lizards, called *hla* by the Siamese, had been seen feeding on the body it is possible that the man fell into the river and was drowned, and that subsequent decomposition, and the attacks of the saurians will account for the mutilation.—*Observer*.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

OCTOBER.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893.

Barometer	29.931
Thermometer	76.3
Humidity	70
Rainfall	4.78

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.13	30.03
Thermometer	78	77
Humidity	71	81
Rainfall	0.41	

TO-DAY.

Saturday, 16th October, 1897.

Chinese—*21st of 9th moon of 23rd year of Kwong-sü.*

Jewish—*20th Tisri, 5658.*

Mohammedan—*19th Jomada I., 1315.*

Sun—*Rises* *5hr. 58min.*
Sets *5hr. 34min.*

Moon—*Maximum Declination N. 8hr. a.m.*

High water—*Afternoon* *11hr. 20min.*

Low water—*Morning* *6hr. 58min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1834—Houses of Parliament burnt.
1866—Khanghoa, Korea, taken by the French.
1893—Earthquake at Amoy.

TO-MORROW.

Sunday, 17th October, 1897.
(18th after Trinity.)
(St. Ethelreda.)

Chinese—*22nd of 9th moon of 23rd year Kwong-sü.*

Jewish—*21st Tisri, 5658.* (Hosana Raba.)

Mohammedan—*20th Jomada I., 1315.*

Sun—*Rises* *5hr. 59min.*
Sets *5hr. 33min.*

High water—*None.*

Low water—*Morning* *8hr. 0min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1842—Dedication of St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.
1853—Duchess of Edinburgh born.
1854—Siege of Sebastapol commenced.
1862—Outbreak of cholera in Victoria Gaol, Hongkong.
1880—*Glenfruin* and *Camoria* collided in Hongkong harbour.
1885—The s.s. *Greyhound* pirated 70 miles from Hongkong; Capt. Syder killed.
1889—The German barque *Oscar Moerger* lost on the Pratas shoal.
1893—Earthquake at Taioch-fu, Formosa.
1896—British barque *West York* towed into Hongkong dismasted.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral:—Communion, 7 a.m., Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m.

Roman Catholic Cathedral:—Mass at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 p.m.

Union Church:—Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

German Bethesda Chapel, West Point:—Morning Service, 11 a.m.

St. Francis' Church, Wanchai:—Mass (Chin.), 6 a.m., (Port.) 7.30 a.m., Benediction, 5 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road:—Morning Service (English), 9 a.m.

St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point:—Mass, 8 a.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church:—Services, 10.30 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church:—11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

German (*Sachsen*) 19th inst.
Indian (*Catherine Apcar*) 19th inst.
American (*Aztec*) 20th inst.
American (*Gaelic*) 20th inst.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Aztec* with mails, etc., left Nagasaki for this port this morning, the 16th inst.

THE O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Doric* with mails, etc., left San Francisco for this port on the 12th inst., *via* Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carlill & Co.,) inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Tacoma*, from Tacoma has arrived at Yokohama, and sails for Hongkong *via* usual ports to-morrow.

SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Manila	steamer, from	Singapore
Kiangnan	"	Swatow
Liv	"	Amoy

Aggregating 6,069 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Guthrie	steamer, for	Australia
Jason	"	Amoy
Hongkong	"	Haiphong
Rise	"	Haiphong
Donar	"	Mauritius
Petrarch	"	Iloilo
Kawachi Maru	"	Marseilles
Foochow	"	Shanghai
Fushun	"	Shanghai
Pakyang	"	Canton
Tamsui	"	Canton

Aggregating 15,250 tons register.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Paste	at	Kowloon Dock.
Sinkat	"	"
Haitan	"	"
Ocampo	"	"
Empress of China	"	"
Kiangtung	"	"
West York	"	Cosmopolitan
Jacob Christensen	"	"
Shantung	"	"

SWATOW.

Arrivals.	*from*	*Agents.*
Oct. 13 *Sishan*	Amoy	B. & Co.
13 *Kiangnan*	H'kow & C'kiang	Tung Kee
14 *Cheangchow*	Amoy	L.Y.S & Co.
14 *Hangchow*	Amoy	S'hai. B. & S.
Departures.	*for*	*Agents.*
Oct. 14 *Tatlee*	Deli	L. & H.
14 *Sishan*	Saigon	B. & Co.
14 *Kiangnan*	Hongkong	Tung Kee
14 *Cheangchow*	Singapore	L.Y.S. & Co.
14 *Hangchow*	Amoy & S'hai.	B. & S.

IN PORT—*Nil.*

NATURE SLOWLY MAKES READY.

You have probably never seen a volcano in eruption. It is a magnificent spectacle. Where do all those torrents of red-hot lava come from? Nobody can tell, except that they come from somewhere down deep in the earth. But one thing we know, namely, that eruptions of any one volcano are far apart. Between whiles Nature is getting ready for them; she is preparing for the tremendous demonstration.

Just so it is with all her processes. In the cold of winter she is arranging the forces which are to make the heat and the harvests of the following summer, and so on.

From May, 1890, to February, 1892, is a period of twenty-one months. The two dates will long remain clear in the mind of Mrs. Martha Bowles, of 183, Llangyfelach Road, Morriston, near Swansea. For the first was the beginning and the second the ending of an experience which was bad enough in itself, yet only the introduction to something vastly worse. It was like the time of getting ready for a great trouble to come.

Her first sense of this was indefinite and vague, like the low muttering of thunder below the horizon while the skies are yet clear. She expresses it thus, in the very words most of us use on similar occasions, "I felt that something was wrong with me—something hanging over me."

Ah; dear me. How often we think such feelings are a warning sent to the spirit, when in fact they are caused entirely by the condition of our bodies. She felt heavy, languid and tired, and mentally depressed. This was not only melancholy to her but new, as she had always been strong and healthy. Then came the discomforts which there could be no mistake about. They are common enough to be sure. Oh, yes. But isn't that all the more a reason why we should understand what they mean? "Certainly," you will say.

Well, then, there was that bad, offensive taste in the mouth, that so many of us have had; the failure of the appetite, and the pain in the chest and sides after eating. The worst pain was in the right side, where it was very heavy. That pointed to the liver, which is located on that side; and when anything ails the liver it is as though the big water-wheel of a mill had got fixed so as not to turn round. For the liver does half a dozen kinds of work, and when it strikes work the rest of the organs take a sort of rainy holiday.

Presently her skin and the white of her eyes turned yellow as autumn leaves. That meant bile in the blood; the liver was off in its duty; that is a sure sign. The kidney secretion was the colour of blood instead of a clear amber, which meant that the trouble had already reached those important organs. Then the stomach was upset and refused to take kindly to food—as though the miller sent your grain back, declining to grind it. She vomited a sour, bitter fluid, which was sold bile away out of its proper track. On and on along this line, constantly getting further and further from the happy land of health; this was the history of those twenty-one months—all bad enough, yet all preparatory for worse ones.

"One day in February, 1892," she says in her letter of August 18th, 1893, "I began to have dreadful pain and cramp. It began in the right side, and extended across the stomach. For hours together I was in the greatest agony. What I suffered is past description. When the pain eased a little I was cold as death and shivered until the bed shook under me. I had hot iron plates applied to my feet, and held hot irons in my hands, but nothing gave me much relief. My stomach was so irritable that I could keep no food on it. I was now confined to my bed, and the doctor attending me said I was passing gall stones. He wanted me to go to Swansea Hospital and be operated upon, but I was afraid I might not live through it.

"I next had two other doctors at Morriston and also three from Swansea, who all gave me medicines, and said nothing more could be done for me. For six months I lay in bed undergoing the greatest agony; never free from pain more than two or three hours at a time. *During the whole of this time I was fed on nothing but milk and water.* I had scarcely any life or strength left in me. All who saw me said I never could by any chance get better in this world.

"I lingered on like this until August, 1893, when my daughter brought me a book telling of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. In this book she read of a case like mine having been cured by this medicine. My husband got a bottle from Mr. Bevan, the chemist, and after taking a few doses I felt a little relief. I kept on with it and soon the pains left me, my appetite returned, and my food agreed with me. After taking the Syrup for three months I was a new creature and strong as ever. I can now eat anything, and nothing disagrees with me. After I was well our minister one day said: 'Mrs. Bowles, I never thought to see you alive.' I said, 'Mother Seigel's Syrup saved my life.' You may publish my case, and I will gladly answer inquiries. (Signed) Martha Bowles."

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Hongkong, 11th October, 1897. [5146

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Hongkong, 11th October, 1897. [1545

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Hongkong, 11th October, 1897. [1559

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"DARDANUS,"

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Hongkong, 11th October, 1897 [1505

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FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

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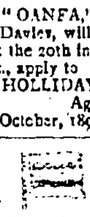
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Hongkong, 1st October, 1897. [1504



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Hongkong, 12th October, 1897. [1554

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 13th October, 1897. [1559

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Hongkong, 13th October, 1897. [1558

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"NANYANG,"

Captain Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at Daylight.

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Hongkong, 16th October, 1897. [1570

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

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T. Hansen, Master, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 18th October, at Noon.

To be followed by the
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Agents.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1448

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1572

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG,"

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Hongkong, 12th October, 1897. [1552

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FOR BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

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Captain Berg, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th October.

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
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Hongkong, 14th October, 1897 [1477

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO
YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship

"FOHENZOLLERN,"

Captain H. Bleeker, will leave for the above Ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant.

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MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1553

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN,"

Captain H. Supmer, due here with the outward German Mail about TUESDAY, the 19th instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

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MELCHERS & Co.,
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Hongkong, 15th October, 1897. [1553

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THE 100 A1 British Ship

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Hongkong, 4th February, 1897. [244

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A 1 British Bark

"HEATHBANK,"

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, 17th June, 1807 [957

FOR BALTIMORE.

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Hongkong, 26th August, 1897. [1322

FOR BALTIMORE.

THE * 100 *A. I.* Hawaiian Bark

"IOLANI,"

Captain C. C. McClure, is loading here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1897. [1446

FOR NEW YORK.

THE *3/3 A. I. I.* American ship

"ABNER COBURN,"

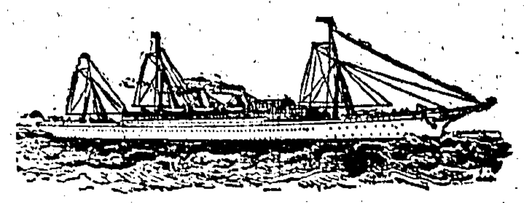
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Hongkong, 1st September, 1897. [3

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Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Thursday, 18th Nov., at Noon.
Belgic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Tuesday, 7th Dec., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC"

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Hongkong, 2nd September, 1897. [2

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City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama	Tuesday, 9th Nov., at Noon.
China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Saturday, 27th Nov., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

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(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Columbia.....	2,625	Tuesday ...	Oct. 19.
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday ...	Nov. 9.
Victoria	3,167	Tuesday ...	Nov. 30.
Olympia	2,608	Tuesday ...	Dec. 21.
Columbia.....	2,625	Tuesday ...	Jan. 11.
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday ...	Feb. 1.

THE Steamship

"COLUMBIA,"

Captain W. Hill, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 19th October, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), *via* FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash.

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General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1897. [4



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"RAVENNA,"

Captain C. T. Denny, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 21st inst., at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This Steamer connects at Bombay with the *S.S. Egypt*, leaving that Port on the 13th November for London direct.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1897. [5

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen.....	Tuesday...	9th Nov.
Bayern	Tuesday...	7th Dec.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday...	4th Jan.
Preussen	Tuesday...	1st Feb.
Sachsen.....	Tuesday...	1st March.

ON TUESDAY, the 9th day of November, 1897, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 6th Nov. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 8th Nov., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 8th Nov. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on Board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

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